नागर विमानन मंत्री तथा सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्री सी० एम० इब्राहीम): (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) और (ग) ये प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

(घ) सूरत हवाई अड्डा गुजरात राज्य सरकार का है। वित्तीय तंगी के कारण भारतीय विमानपत्तन प्राधिकरण की सूरत हवाई अड्डे के विकास के कोई योजनाएं नहीं हैं।

Dropping "Government Companies" from the Companies Act of 1956

2428. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are seriously considering dropping the concept of "Government Companies" from the Companies act 1956;

(b) if so, whether such a step of Government is going to affect the PSUs;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what further steps Government propose to take to ensure that the PSUs would not be given in private hands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. P. VEERENDRA KUMAR): (a) No, Sir. There is no such proposal.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Procedure for issue of Duplicate Share/ Debentures

2429. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:
SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD:

Will the Minister of COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the procedure for issue of duplicate share/debentures within a reasonable time limit has been simplified;

(b) if so, the new simplified procedure and how does it compare with the earlier procedure;

(c) the response of the markets to this procedure; and

(d) what steps will be taken to guard the procedures from becoming complicated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. P. VEERENDRA KUMAR): (a) There are already provisions in the Companies Act, 1956 and Companies (Issue of Share Certificates) Rules, 1960 which stipulate the procedure and conditions for issue of duplicate Share Certificates by the Companies. No change has been effected in these provisions in recent times.

Moreover, the Listing Agreement prescribed by SEBI, which is applicable in case of listed companies, also prescribe conditions for issue of duplicate Share Certificates which *inter alia*, require companies to issue such Certificates within six weeks of notification of loss to the Company by the Shareholder and on receipt of proper indemnity by Company from the Shareholder.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Advertisement earning remitted overseas by foreign T. V. Channels

2430. SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India has been approached to develop separate estimates of advertisement earnings remitted overseas by foreign television channels; and

(b) whether the Ministry of Finance has been approached to tax these remittances at a stiff rate?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C. M. IBRAHIM): (a) and (b) No, Sir.